

CAPE MAY COUNTY CHAMBER

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Discover Non-Profits in Cape May County

Welcome to the Chamber's Non-Profit Newsletter, spotlighting news, events, and more of the extraordinary non-profit organizations in Cape May County!

Giving Spotlight: **The First National Bank of Elmer**



THE FIRST NATIONAL
Bank of
ELMER
Banking simplified since 1903.

The First National Bank of Elmer is deeply rooted in our shore communities.

Since its founding in 1903, FNBE has been built on hard work, the values of a small town, and the individuals who call it home. With family and community at the heart of their mission, they have always recognized their responsibility to give back.

As a Main Street bank, FNBE proudly supports local nonprofits and foundations to help ensure our neighbors have not only what they need — but even more. From the Cape May Point Science and Arts Center and the Atlantic Cape Community College Foundation to the Cape May Coast Guard Community Foundation and the Naval Air Station Wildwood Aviation Museum, their partnerships reflect their commitment to always providing a helping hand.

FNBE CEO and President, Brian W. Jones, continues to inspire this mission with a philosophy grounded in the words of Winston Churchill:

“We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give.”

The First National Bank of Elmer is — unapologetically and without question — here for the community.

To learn more about The First National Bank of Elmer, visit their [website](#) or [Facebook page](#).

We want to hear from you! If you have been involved with a non-profit organization and have an inspiring story to share, we would love to feature it in our newsletter. Whether it's about volunteering, fundraising, or any act of kindness, your experiences can inspire others to make a difference. Please send your stories and photos to events@cmchamber.com and help us celebrate the incredible work being done in our community.

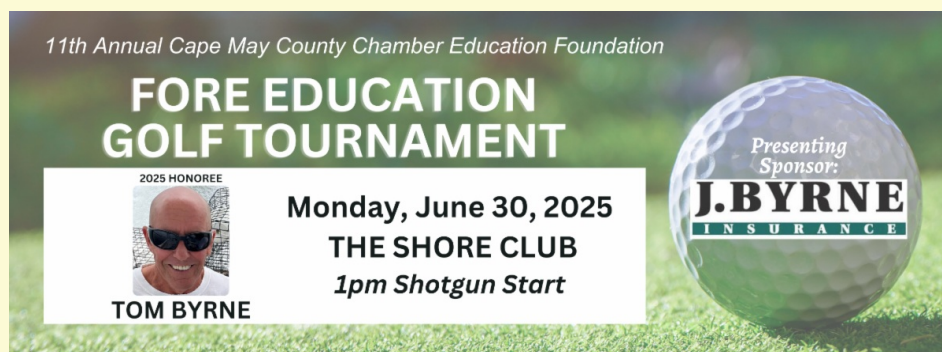
Welcome to Our Newest Non-Profit Members:

The **Bayshore Center at Bivalve** is a nonprofit organization located in Port Norris, dedicated to advancing the understanding of human impact on the state's aquatic environment through education, advocacy, and programming. Established in 1988, BCB initially focused on restoring the 1928 oyster schooner A.J. Meerwald, which now serves as New Jersey's official tall ship and a floating classroom. The organization operates the Delaware Bay Museum, which offers exhibits on the region's maritime history, oyster industry, and environmental heritage. [Learn more.](#)

Jewish Family Service of Atlantic & Cape May Counties (JFS) encourages strong families, thriving children, healthy adults, vital seniors, and strong communities. With dozens of program areas, they specialize in counseling, mental health services, homeless programs, vocational services, adult and older adult services, and also host an on-site food pantry. JFS impacts more than 15,000 lives throughout Atlantic and Cape May Counties each year. [Learn more.](#)

[Visit our Non-Profit Member Directory](#)

In the News:



[11th Annual FORE Education Golf Tournament - June 30!](#)

Enjoy a fantastic day on the greens while making a meaningful impact at the Cape May County Chamber Education Foundation's 11th Annual FORE Education Golf Tournament, presented by J. Byrne Agency, on June 30 at The Shore Club in Cape May Court House.

The honoree of the 11th Annual FORE Education Golf Tournament is lifelong Cape May County resident Tom Byrne for his decades of dedication to the community and business leadership.

The tournament will take place from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., with a 1 p.m. shotgun start. This event supports programs like Leadership Cape May County and provides scholarships for college, trade, dual/concurrent enrollment, and adult education students. Participants will enjoy 18 holes of golf, exciting contests—including hole-in-one, putting, closest to the pin, and longest drive—and access to the driving range. A buffet-style lunch and on-course refreshments will keep players fueled throughout the day. After friendly competition on the greens, golfers, and non-golfers, can indulge in gourmet dining stations, followed by an auction, raffle baskets, prizes, and awards to cap off a memorable event. [Read more.](#)

[East Lynne Theater Moves into New Venue](#)



After years of extensive renovations, East Lynne Theater Company will officially receive the keys to the historic former Allen African Methodist Episcopal (AME) Church during a ribbon-cutting ceremony on May 22. The restored venue will now be known as the Clemans Theater for the Arts at the Allen AME Church. Celebrating its 45th season, East Lynne will begin using the space immediately, launching with the photography exhibit *Through the Lens*, followed by a summer lineup of plays and cabaret performances.

The company will split its 2025 mainstage season between the new Clemans Theater and its longtime home at the First Presbyterian Church of Cape May. [Learn more.](#)



Burke Motor Group Donates to Local Organizations

Burke Motor Group proudly presented the proceeds from the recent *Subaru Share the Love Event* to two outstanding local organizations: Habitat for Humanity Cape May and No Limits Boxing Academy. As part of Subaru's annual national campaign, which supports charities across the country, Burke Motor Group selected these two community-focused organizations as their hometown charities.

Thanks to the generous support of customers and the Share the Love initiative, a total of \$6,283 was raised and donated—helping to further the missions of both recipients. [Learn more.](#)



Avalon Lions Charities Upcoming Fundraising Events

The Avalon Lions have several upcoming events for Cape May County Chamber Members to participate in and/or sponsor to support its charity fundraising activities.

- **Springtime Oldies Dance Party with DJ Joey Santo – May 31.** The Dance Party will take place at the Avalon Community Hall (3001 Avalon Ave, Avalon, NJ 08202) and is a bring-your-own-beverages and snacks event. Tickets go on sale May 2 and are \$25. They can be purchased on Mondays and Fridays from 10:00am to 12:00pm at the Avalon Community Hall.
- **Avalon Lions Golf Classic – June 11** at Union League National Golf Club. [Click here for more information.](#)
- On Father's Day weekend, bring the family to the **Avalon Lions Pancake Breakfast!** It is being held on Saturday, June 14 from 8:00am-11:00am at the Avalon Community Center. Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$10 for children, available at the door. If your company would like to be a sponsor of the event, donations can be made to Avalon Lions Club sent to Becky Reynolds at 1220 Ocean Drive, Avalon, NJ 08202. Please indicate on the memo line that your donation is for 'pancake breakfast supplies'.
- Visit [Avalon NJ Lions](#) on Facebook for more events and news.



Cape May Stage Welcomes 2025 Season

Cape May Stage's 2025 season begins on June 4 and features a dynamic lineup of comedies, dramas, and special events at the historic Robert Shackleton Playhouse. Highlights include *Vanities*, a coming-of-age story about friendship; *Love, Loss, and What I Wore*, a heartfelt one-week engagement by Nora and Delia Ephron; and *Sexy Laundry*, a romantic comedy about reigniting love. The season also presents *Dutch Masters*, a gripping exploration of race and privilege, and wraps with the holiday comedy *Let's Catch Santa*. Special events include a Broadway concert with Carole J. Bufford and the Annual Gala on May 31. [Learn more.](#)

Greater Wildwood Chamber of Commerce Foundation "A Nite at the Races" Fundraiser

The Greater Wildwood Chamber of Commerce Foundation announces *A Nite at the Races*, a lively virtual horse racing event where real races are broadcast on screens to recreate the excitement of the racetrack. Taking place on Saturday, June 7th at Fairview Social in Wildwood, doors open at 4:00 PM with post time set for 4:30 PM. For a \$35 donation, guests enjoy a complimentary buffet of snacks and hors d'oeuvres, drink specials throughout the night, and chances to win exciting prize baskets. *A Nite at the Races* is a fundraiser to support education programs and scholarships for students in the Wildwoods.

[Learn more.](#)

Non-Profit Upcoming Events:



SAVE THE DATE:

11th ANNUAL FORE EDUCATION GOLF TOURNAMENT

Presented by J. Byrne Agency

MONDAY, JUNE 30 - THE SHORE CLUB
HONORING TOM BYRNE

[Click Here for More Information!](#)

- **The Forgotten Warriors Vietnam Museum** in Erma, whose mission is to honor and preserve the legacy of Vietnam Veterans, will host its first Vietnam War Discussion of the season on Saturday, May 24 at 4 PM, featuring Vietnam veteran, active intelligence officer, and local author Robert Heinly. This free event offers an introduction to the Vietnam War timeline and a deeper look into the intelligence and geopolitical aspects of the conflict; donations are appreciated to support the museum and local veterans... [Learn more.](#)
- The **Cape May Point Arts and Science Center** is pleased to hold its Second Annual Marine Science Symposium from May 30 to June 1. This symposium is providing a platform for undergraduate students, graduate students, and professionals in the field of marine science to showcase their work, share insights, and build connections within the marine science community in the Mid-Atlantic. Tickets are \$125 which includes admittance to the welcome reception, the presentation day, and morning dolphin watch... [Learn more.](#)
- **Starfish Equine Rescue** will host its annual Benefit Horse Show on Saturday, June 8, beginning at 8:00 AM at Pembroke Farm in Eldora. All proceeds from the event will support the organization's mission to rescue, rehabilitate, and rehome horses in need. This English Circuit of South Jersey pointed show will feature Marshall & Sterling classes, the popular \$500 Pleasure Derby, and a variety of prizes, raffle baskets, and giveaways. It promises to be a meaningful and fun-filled day in support of a great cause... [Learn more.](#)
- **Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) for Children for Atlantic, Cape May, and Camden Counties** will host a day of fundraising at Linwood Country Club on June 9, starting with their annual golf tournament at 11:30 AM. The evening event runs from 6:30 to 9:00 PM and features great food, signature

cocktails, and both live and online auctions. All proceeds benefit CASA's mission to advocate for children in foster care, helping ensure they receive the support and resources they need to thrive... **Learn more.**

- The Bayshore Discovery Camp, hosted by the **Bayshore Center at Bivalve**, offers an engaging summer experience starting July 14 for children aged 8–12. The camp features weekly themes such as "Planet Protectors" and "Ocean Explorers," where campers participate in hands-on activities like wildlife tracking, water quality monitoring, and marine life exploration. Through these interactive sessions, children contribute to real environmental research while learning about the region's maritime history and the importance of ecosystem conservation. **Learn more.**

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Candid connects people who want to change the world to the resources they need to do it.

As a member of Candid's Community, Atlantic Cape provides visitors with free public access to Candid's applications and resources.

At our locations, you can:

- **Get hands-on help with your fundraising search**
- **Network with other local nonprofits**
- **Research grants and funder data**



Candid Community resources are available at these Atlantic Cape locations:

Atlantic City Campus
Worthington Library
1535 Bacharach Blvd.
Atlantic City, NJ 08401

Cape May County Campus
Mullock Family Library
341 Court House - South Dennis Rd.
Cape May Court House, NJ 08210

For more information or to get assistance from a librarian, email:
Fin@atlantic.edu

Are you a Non-Profit Organization looking for fundraising assistance, networking opportunities, and grant research?

Atlantic Cape Community College offers Candid Community, a *free* public access database filled with valuable applications and resources to support your needs. This program is funded by Cape May County bizHub, Atlantic Cape Foundation, and Thrive AC and can be found at the Atlantic City and Cape May County Campuses.

For more information or to get assistance from a librarian, please email:
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Are you a Non-Profit Organization with news to share or interested in our Non-Profit membership?
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